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vacuous attractive allowances and prerogatives. And when the holder retires or is retired, he drops into a comfortable pension of \$20,000 a year for the remainder of his life and a peerage. William Gully, the speaker who has just retired—a grandson, by the way, of a boxing expert, bookmaker and Derby winner celebrated in his day—now enters upon the enjoyment of these pleasant things. They treat their ex-statesmen more generously over there than we do ours.

DUBIOUS 1906.

The records of crime, disaster and loss incidental to the year is of quality and quantity calculated to make one wish for New Years Eve, on the whimsical hypothesis that the essence of history will take a turn for the better.

EDITORIAL SALAD.

"In considerable fear," said a New York millionaire, "I once consulted Andrew Carnegie about a venture. The business looked as if it ought to be profitable; there seemed to be a public need for it. Still, there was some risk involved and I was afraid. But Mr. Carnegie laughed at my fears. 'If it is a good thing plunge in,' he said. 'Fear is old womanish; fear is what keeps untold millions from making fortunes. When Benjamin Franklin thought of starting a paper in Philadelphia his mother, greatly alarmed, tried to dissuade him. She pointed out that there were already two newspapers in America.'"

After Feb. 1, the American Bank Note company will manufacture all United States postage stamps. Under a contract made public the concern must deliver 27,000,000 stamps daily six times a week. The American Bank Note company made the first postage stamps for the government and held the contract up to thirteen years ago. At that time the government went into business itself by manufacturing the Columbian issue, and down to this day the bureau of printing and engraving has turned out all stamps.

Here are some nuts for farmers to crack: Almost every sort of nut can be grown in some part of the United States, yet last year we imported nuts to the value of \$7,373,435, more than a third of the sum being for walnuts; while the almond importations reached \$1,750,000. In the same period we exported, all told, nuts to the value of \$415,596, mostly peanuts. The United States should not only grow all the nuts needed for home consumption, but should also be able to export largely.

Farmers should not expect too much at first, of the denatured alcohol law which goes into effect on the first of January. "Converting potatoes into power" may materialize in time, but meanwhile turn as much farm power into potatoes, and other crops, as possible. However as there are more than 70,000 alcohol distilleries, it gives one the impression that free alcohol may have some rather immense possibilities for the farmers of the United States.

It is a surprising fact that Cuba, with all of its fertility and its tropical climate, does not raise enough poultry for its own demands. The Cubans annually import from 50,000 to 60,000 cases of eggs from the United States, besides large quantities of live and dressed poultry. Poultry raising is not profitable on the island because of the prevalence of a certain poultry disease which the natives term small-pox.

After attaining the highest position in society and surrounding themselves with all the comforts afforded by the European markets, the Marlboroughs ought to have found a more appealing excuse for divorce than mere incompatibility of temper.

An American girl who marries a duke can get rid of him by paying \$100,000 a year. The value of this investment depends on the individual view of what an alleged luxury is worth, but there are plenty of American girls who are too smart to throw their money at birds of that sort.

Asia is far too populous to admit of any American idea of assimilating its hundreds of millions. The Japanese are a remarkably fine people in many respects, but their immigration to the United States if it threatened to become immense would unquestionably be restricted.

Oklahoma calls attention to its 50-pound melons and 18-foot cornstalks. Its population will be on the same scale when it is admitted as a state.

Every effort is being made to keep Japan and the United States from warring with each other over the San Francisco incident. Even the czar of all the Russians is inclined to tender his good offices.

The Unreasonable Demands Of Labor Organizations

By J. W. VAN CLEAVE, President of the National Association of Manufacturers

WE have seen that many attempts by organized labor to procure CLASS PRIVILEGE, whether by peaceful negotiation with regard to matters arbitrable or by coercion or violence against principle which cannot be abandoned, have failed in the last few years, owing, naturally, to the ever present fact that what is fair and right FOR ONE must in the very nature of things be fair and right FOR ALL.

We now see that it is proposed by one of the organizations of labor to seek to secure these ends by political activity.

It is even defiantly announced that those public men who have simply dared to do THEIR PLAIN DUTY in resisting the demands of one of the organizations of labor are to be retired to private life on account of their contumacy.

THE ABSURDITY AND THE IMPOSSIBILITY OF THIS PROPOSED COURSE OF ACTION ARE PATENT UPON THEIR FACE.

Moreover, a moral wrong as well as a political impossibility is involved in supposing that we shall tolerate in this kind of country the proposition that a government within a government AND SUPERIOR TO IT is an easy and a pleasant thing to contemplate.

Take another instance, bolder even than the other. It naturally takes a lawyer to appreciate fully the FUNDAMENTAL change which would be involved in our system of administering the law if the power of the courts to grant injunctions were removed.

If it were removed I might go and dig a trench under the wall of your \$100,000 building and NOTHING could dissuade me or stop me.

You might do an almost irreparable damage to my business, which, let us say for the sake of argument, pays its bills, including wages, and, so far as the statute and the moral law are concerned, may be permitted to continue.

You might do it by preventing me from employing men who wish to work for me.

YOU MIGHT DO IT BY SURROUNDING THE MILL OR THE WORKSHOP BY "PEACEFUL" PICKET LINES AND BY ASSAULTING OR FRIGHTENING THOSE WHOSE PERFECT RIGHT IT WAS TO COME TO ME TO WORK.

Where Our Universities Fail of Their Purpose

By Professor W. W. FOLWELL, University of Minnesota

IT is highly questionable if our modern schools are doing as much FOR CULTURE as did those of a generation ago. The little American college, with its unadulterated classical course, the "female seminary," the select school, and even the common school of earlier days did LITTLE FOR LEARNING, but much for taste and manners.

The American university in its present estate, being merely the American college multiplied by ten or twenty, can make little claim to superior advantages for culture. But the outlook is hopeful. It can be seen that the American university is SLOWLY ascending to a higher level.

When it shall have relegated to the secondary school the elementary studies of its first two years it will be liberated for its proper work.

IN THE SECONDARY SCHOOLS, THUS ENLARGED AND ENRICHED, CULTURAL STUDIES MAY HAVE AMPLE SCOPE.

IN THE CITY THEATERS.

The house that greeted Theodore Lorch and his capable company at the Astoria last night, was large, measured by the tempestuous weather, but wholly meagre, measured by the merit of play and players. The presentation was thoroughly well received and goes on record as among the best of the season's offerings.

There is no unengaged moment while the curtain is up it is all go and snap and successful surprise from beginning to end and Mr. Lorch carried the central energies of the play with abundant and pleasing skill; nor was his support lacking in any particular, save that "Inspector Jones" by Mr. Morris, is a bit vociferous, while Mr. Long's "Jonathan Small" is a trifle too much on the recitative order to be lifelike. Miss Marsky, Miss Deffy, Miss Lewis, in her dual work; Mr. Graves, in his: Mr. Loftus, as "Dr. Watson," were true and sincere in every line, with honors equally divided between Mr. Earl and Mr. Smith for the fun-making. The whole thing was enjoyed, thoroughly, and will be long remembered as a genuinely good play well played.

"THE INSIDE TRACK."

At the Astoria theater tonight, the Mack Swain Theater company will present "The Inside Track," a sensational comedy-drama, filled with exciting scenes and situations, and laughable comedy. Briefly told, the story of the play is as follows: "Harry Denbigh," a careless, pleasure-loving young fellow, and "Samuel Slade," a man of wealth and position but utterly without principle, are both in love with "Vinnie Foster," the charming daughter of "John Foster," the miller. Harry is the accepted suitor, and Slade determines upon revenge. With the aid of two confederates, "Tim," a worthless character from the slums of London, and "Kitty," Tim's wife, he causes Harry to be accused of robbing his uncle,

the "Rev. Mr. Denbigh," and as the stolen money is found in his possession, Harry is arrested, convicted and sent to prison. Slade then abducts Vinnie, but Harry, having served his sentence, tracks him to his retreat, the girl is rescued and Slade and Jim pay the penalty of their crimes. Cora King Swain will appear as "Vinnie Foster," Mack Swain as "Jim," and the other characters will be in competent hands. Special scenery will be provided for the production, which will be complete in every detail.

GRAND OPERA AT THE STAR.

The Noble Andrews Company of Grand Opera soloists are creating a sensation at the Star this week in The Bohemian Girl. Nothing more entertaining has ever been presented in Astoria and those who have not seen the production are missing a rare treat. The original and only Charles Harris, "The Inspector of the Maid," is one of the biggest incidental hits the Star has on its bill. West & Davis, comedians, dancers and singers. The picture melodies, and amusing motion pictures close one of the best shows the Star has given.

ALWAYS WAS SICK.

When a man says he is always sick, troubled with a cough that lasted all winter—what would you think if he should say—he never was sick since using Ballard's Horehound Syrup.

Such a man exists: Mr. J. C. Clark, Denver, Colorado, writes: "For years I was troubled with a severe cough that would last all winter. This cough left me in a miserable condition. I tried Ballard's Horehound Syrup and have not had a sick day since. That's what it did for me." Hart's Drug Store

THE LAST RACE.

NEW YORK, Nov. 15.—The last day of the racing in New York for the season of 1906, will be held at the Aqueduct Race Course today, when under the State Racing Law, the time limit for the running of races will expire. After seven months of the sport which had its beginning for the season at the same course on April 16 last.

WANTED—STEADY MAN OF ADVANCED YEARS FOR NIGHT WATCHMAN.

News from Want-Adville

OLD BILL JONES was down and out— According to the people— Awaiting for the sexton's bell A-tolling in the steeple.

"He ain't nary 'count at all," Said most of Bill Jones' neighbors, "Top it off," said Paddy Lane, "He's crowbait now, be-jabbers!"

Old Bill Jones objected to Such prejudiced opinion. "I'm a man, for all of that! I'll never be a minion!"

So quoth Bill, and made it good. By moving to Want-Adville, Got a job as watchman there; And all say now, "Good boy, Bill!"

MORAL.
 Read the news from Want-Adville.

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WEATHER.

Eastern and Western Oregon—Rain.
 Eastern and Western Washington and Idaho—Rain.

A WORLD MATTER NOW.

The suspicion that over one million of the money contributed to the earthquake sufferers of San Francisco, has been stolen by the hoodlers of that city, makes the question one of world-wide significance, and centers the thought of all men upon America in a most uncomfortable fashion. That there are people here, in place and power, low enough to rob the stricken, homeless, hungering thousands at the very climax of their despair and misery, is bitterly humiliating and calls for the unflinching rigors of redress by law, by every phase and degree of reprisal within the gamut of civilized human use. If it is proven true, such an example should be made of the thieves as will convince all mankind of the extraordinary rarity of the crime and accentuate the unspeakable destination of the people of this country for the dreadful work. With such crimes confronting and condemning us, there is little use in contending against the growth of socialism or any other expedient that promises any degree of change in the life of the nation. American pride will have a fall taken out of it, if Heney makes good in this miserable quest, and we hope, for the sake of the common decency and common honor of the country, that the fact will never be proven.

THE A. S. I. E. R. R., WHAT?

Will someone tell us what has become of the Astoria-Seaside Inter-urban Electric Railroad? For some months it has been receding gradually from public view and today it is almost as remote as it was before W. L. Dudley arrived on the scene with his hopes and purposes. Has it been absorbed? Is it part and parcel of the Hammond extension to the south? Does the fault lie with Astoria or Seaside? Is it another paper proposition, or is it merely waiting for the weather to moderate? If it has any substance to it, it were time to manifest it, if the summer of 1907 is to witness its completion and use.

BUILD THAT ENGINE HOUSE.

The Council has no right to ignore its original purpose to build the new engine house for fire purposes at the O. R. & N. gangway on Commercial street. It is a crying necessity and warranted by every argument favoring the public safety. The people expect it, and the city needs it. We have an excellent department as far as it goes, but the day is likely to arrive in which its utmost utility will be exhausted and loss and disaster will follow in instant testimony of the blunder of delaying or abandoning this essential advantage. Spend what is necessary on the real requirements and choke off a few of the non-essentials.

POOR OLD JOE.

No wonder our good Uncle Joe Cannon, Speaker of the house at Washington, considers himself underpaid. While his job is fully as arduous as that of the speaker of the British House of Commons, the latter gets, in the first place, a salary of \$25,000 a year, and it carries the use of a magnificent residence in the palace of Westminster, overlooking the Thames, and